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General Assembly

Seventy-third session

15:00 — 21st plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals - Item 130

Document: A/73/289

Security Council

09:30 — 8373rd meeting — Security Council Chamber

[webcast]

Adoption of the agenda

The situation in the Middle East

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Followed by	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Security Council Consultations Room

Middle East (Syria)

Other matters

15:00	8374th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 6

Adoption of the agenda

Meeting of the Security Council with the troop- and police-contributing countries pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, sections A and B

United Nations Multidimensional Integrated Stabilization Mission in the Central African Republic

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General Assembly

Seventy-third session

First Committee

Seventy-third session

10:00 - 13:00	9th plenary meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 4

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items (from 93 to 108)

15:00 - 18:00	10th plenary meeting [webcast]	Conference Room 4

Exchange with the High Representative for Disarmament Affairs and high-level officials on "Current state of affairs in the field of disarmament and arms control"

Under-Secretary-General, High Representative for Disarmament Affairs

Secretary-General, Conference on Disarmament

Permanent Observer, International Committee of the Red Cross

Officer-in-charge, Peace Building Support Office

Executive Director, High-Level Panel on Digital Cooperation

Director, United Nations Institute for Disarmament Research

Secretary-General, Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean

Thematic discussion on specific subjects and introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items (from 93 to 108)

Nuclear weapons

The thematic discussions are taking place from 17 October 2018 to 31 October 2018.

The list of speakers for the thematic discussions will close on 22 October 2018, at 18:00.

The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations.

The deadline for submission of draft resolutions and decisions under all agenda items is 18 October 2018, at 12:00.

The composition of delegations, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Delegations wishing to reserve conference rooms for consultations during the session should contact the secretariat of the Committee.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee Place.

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Documents: A/C.1/73/1, A/C.1/73/INF/1, A/C.1/73/INF/4, A/73/27, A/73/42, A/73/91, A/73/92, A/73/94, A/73/95, A/73/96, A/73/97, A/73/99, A/73/111, A/73/112, A/73/113, A/73/114, A/73/115, A/73/116, A/73/117, A/73/118, A/73/119, A/73/120, A/73/122, A/73/126, A/73/127, A/73/151, A/73/154, A/73/156, A/73/159, A/73/168, A/73/177, A/73/182 (Part I), A/73/182 (Part II), A/73/185, A/73/202, A/73/224, A/73/256, A/73/259, A/73/284, A/C.1/73/L.1, A/C.1/73/L.2, A/C.1/73/L.10, A/C.1/73/L.11, A/C.1/73/L.12, A/C.1/73/L.13, A/C.1/73/L.14, A/C.1/73/L.15, A/C.1/73/L.16, A/C.1/73/L.17, A/C.1/73/L.18 and A/C.1/73/L.22

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Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)
Seventy-third session

10:00 to 13:00 — 9th plenary meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

Consideration of decolonization items (continued)

Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations - Item 59

Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories - Item 60

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations - Item 61

Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories - Item 62

Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples - Item 63

Action on proposals submitted under decolonization items

The list of speakers for the general discussion on the following items of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) is open:

University for Peace - Item 51

Effects of atomic radiation - Item 52

International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space - Item 53

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East - Item 54

Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories - Item 55

Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects - Item 56

Comprehensive review of special political missions - Item 57

Questions relating to information - Item 58

Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are requested to do so through the e-deleGATE portal.

The composition of delegations, names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE secure portal.

Any additional queries should be directed to the secretariat of the Committee.

Documents: A/C.4/73/1, A/C.4/73/L.1, A/C.4/73/INF.1, A/C.4/73/INF.4, A/73/23, A/73/64, A/73/73, A/73/219, A/73/70, A/C.4/73/L.2 and A/C.4/73/L.3

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Second Committee
Seventy-third session

10:00 – 13:00 — 15th plenary meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

Eradication of poverty and other development issues - Item 24

Implementation of the Third United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2018–2027) - Item 24 (a)

Industrial development cooperation - Item 24 (b)

Introductory statement(s), followed by question time

General discussion

15:00 – 16:15 — 16th plenary meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 2

Eradication of poverty and other development issues - Item 24

Implementation of the Third United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (2018–2027) - Item 24 (a)

Industrial development cooperation - Item 24 (b)

Conclusion of the general discussion

Information on the work of the Committee, as well as related documentation and side events, are available on its website.

Inscription to the lists of speakers for the general discussion of individual agenda items of the Committee is also open.

In accordance with established practice, the time limits of 5 minutes for individual Member States and 7 minutes for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion of individual agenda items will be observed.

The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Second Committee.

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Members, as well as observers, are requested to register the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers through the e-List of Participants module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Committee matters should be sent as soon as possible, but no later than 17:00 of the day before the meeting, to the secretariat of the Committee.

Documents: A/C.2/73/1, A/C.2/73/L.1, A/C.2/73/L.1/Add.1/Rev.1, A/73/274, A/73/274/Corr.1, A/73/298 and A/73/121

Links: Website, Advance Documentation for the Session, Side Events, e-deleGATE Portal and PaperSmart

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Third Committee
Seventy-third session

10:00 - 13:00 21st meeting [webcast] Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of human rights - Item 74

Implementation of human rights instruments - Item 74 (a)

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms - Item 74 (b)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives - Item 74 (c)

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action - item 74 (d)

Introductory statement(s) by special procedures mandate holder(s), followed by interactive dialogue

15:00 - 18:00 22nd meeting [webcast] Conference Room 1

Promotion and protection of human rights - Item 74

Implementation of human rights instruments - Item 74 (a)

Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms - Item 74 (b)

Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives - Item 74 (c)

Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action - item 74 (d)

Introductory statement(s) by special procedures mandate holder(s), followed by interactive dialogue

Inscription to the lists of speakers for items on the agenda of the Committee is open.

In accordance with established practice, the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States and *12 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general debate will be observed.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system.

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription.

Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact the secretariat in writing.

Requests for room reservations for informal consultations on Committee matters should be sent as soon as possible to the secretariat of the Committee.

For inclusion in the list of participants, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the e-List of Participants module in e-deleGATE.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 20 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

Statements will be made available on the Third Committee PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Documents: A/73/40, A/73/44, A/73/48, A/73/56, A/73/140, A/73/207, A/73/264, A/73/281, A/73/282, A/73/309, A/73/138, A/73/139, A/73/139/Corr.1, A/73/152, A/73/153, A/73/158, A/73/161, A/73/162, A/73/163, A/73/164, A/73/165, A/73/171, A/73/172, A/73/173, A/73/175, A/73/178, A/73/179, A/73/181, A/73/188, A/73/205, A/73/206, A/73/210, A/73/215, A/73/216, A/73/227, A/73/230, A/73/260, A/73/262, A/73/271, A/73/279, A/73/310, A/73/314, A/73/336, A/73/347, A/73/348, A/73/361, A/73/362, A/73/365, A/73/385, A/73/299, A/73/308, A/73/330, A/73/332, A/73/363, A/73/380, A/73/386, A/73/397, A/73/398, A/73/404, A/73/36, A/73/399 and A/73/396

Links: e-deleGATE Portal, PaperSmart, List of senior Secretariat and UN officials expected to delivery introductory statements before the Third Committee of the General Assembly at its seventy-third session, List of Special Procedure Mandate Holders invited to address the Third Committee in its seventy-third session and Website

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Sixth Committee
Seventy-third session

10:00 - 11:30 16th plenary meeting [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

Status of the Protocols Additional to the Geneva Conventions of 1949 and relating to the protection of victims of armed conflicts - Item 83

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system.

Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart Portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery. PDF format is preferred. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statements will be posted on the PaperSmart portal after delivery. Delegations are kindly reminded to provide 30 hard copies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Document: A/73/277

11:30 - 13:00 Working Group 2 (closed) Trusteeship Council Chamber

The scope and application of the principle of universal jurisdiction - Item 87

The names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be registered through the "e-List of participants" module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States should be submitted by their respective focal points through the e-Speakers module on the e-deleGATE portal.

Documents: A/73/123 and A/73/123/Add.1

Links: PaperSmart and Website

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Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 10

Construction of additional facilities at the Economic Commission for Africa in Addis Ababa and proposals for the renovation of conference facilities, including Africa Hall

Executive meeting

Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf
Forty-eighth session

10:00 - 13:00	Closed meeting	Geographic Information System laboratories DOALOS (DC2, 4th Fl)
15:00 - 18:00	Closed meeting	Geographic Information System laboratories DOALOS (DC2, 4th Fl)

There will be closed meetings of the subcommissions established by the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf from Wednesday, 17 October 2018 to Friday, 30 November 2018 from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, at the Geographic Information System laboratories of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea (DC2 Building, 4th Floor).

Security Council

Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities

16:00 - 18:00 Closed Conference Room 7

Monitoring Team quarterly oral briefing

Briefing by the Special Adviser and Head of the Investigative Team established pursuant to Security Council resolution 2379 (2017)

Review of 1267 Committee pending matters (Holds List)

Other matters

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly
Seventy-third session

18 October 2018

15:00 22nd plenary meeting [webcast] General Assembly Hall

Impact of rapid technological change on the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals - Item 133

An informal meeting of the plenary on the Impact of Rapid Technological Change on the Achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals will take place at 15:00 immediately before the start of the formal plenary meeting at 16:00.

A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 12 October 2018, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers.

19 October 2018

10:00 — 23rd plenary meeting [webcast] — General Assembly Hall

New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support - Item 68

2001–2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa - Item 13

Joint debate

Documents: A/73/269, A/73/270 and A/73/273

Fifth Committee
Seventy-third session

18 October 2018

10:00 — 6th meeting [webcast] — Conference Room 3

Followed by - 13:00 — Informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 5

Links: Website and e-deleGATE Portal

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

22 October 2018

10:00 – 13:00 — 290th meeting (closed) — Conference Room 11

Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee.

The meeting will not be open to members of the press or the public.

Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its meeting 164 in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least 48 hours prior to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982.

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Documents: A/50/26

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Security Council

18 October 2018

10:00

Security Council Chamber

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Thursday, 18 October 2018, at 10:00, in connection with the item entitled "The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question".

Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should send a letter addressed to the President of the Security Council requesting to participate in accordance with Rule 37 of the Council's Provisional Rules of Procedure, starting on Monday, 15 October 2018, at 09:30.

Please note that only scanned copies of signed letters will be accepted by email.

Delegations are requested to limit their statements to no more than 4 minutes.

Delegations are reminded that the list of speakers will not be available by telephone or email, but only in hard copy in the Chamber, shortly before the beginning of the meeting.

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Summary of official meetings

Monday, 15 October 2018

General Assembly

Seventy-third session

First Committee

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7th plenary meeting

The Committee continued its general debate on all disarmament and related international security agenda items (items 93 to108).

Statements were made by the representatives of Lebanon, Indonesia, San Marino, Bangladesh, Greece, Belgium, Haiti, Trinidad and Tobago, the United Arab Emirates, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Tajikistan, Senegal, Afghanistan, Liechtenstein, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Armenia, Slovenia and Namibia.

The representatives of the Russian Federation, Georgia, the United States, Israel, the Islamic Republic of Iran and the Syrian Arab Republic made statements in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Secretary made an announcement.

Second Committee
Seventy-third session

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12th plenary meeting

Address by the President of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly

The President of the seventy-third session of the General Assembly (Ecuador) addressed the Committee.

Sustainable development - Item 20

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

(c) Disaster risk reduction

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity

(g) Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme

(h) Harmony with Nature

(i) Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

(j) Combating sand and dust storms

(k) The role of the international community in the prevention of the radiation threat in Central Asia

The Committee began its consideration of agenda item 20 as a whole.

Introductory statements followed by "question time"

The Committee heard introductory statements by the Officer-in-Charge of the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (under the chapeau of item 20 and its sub-items (a), (b), (h) and (i)); the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Disaster Risk Reduction (under sub-item 20 (c)); the Executive Secretary of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification (under sub-item 20 (e)) (via recorded message); the Executive Secretary of the Convention on Biological Diversity (under sub-item 20 (f)); the Director ad interim of the New York Office of the United Nations

Environment Programme (under sub-items 20 (g) and 20 (j)); the Chief of the New York Office of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (under the chapeau of item 20); the Regional Advisor at the Regional Bureau for Arab States of the United Nations Development Programme (also under the chapeau of item 20); and the Deputy Special Representative of the World Tourism Organization Liaison Office to the United Nations (also under the chapeau of item 20).

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of agenda item 20 as a whole and heard statements by the representatives of Egypt (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China); Thailand (on behalf of the Association of Southeast Asian Nations); Malawi (on behalf of the Least Developed Countries); Barbados (on behalf of the Caribbean Community); Maldives (on behalf of the Alliance of Small Island States); El Salvador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States); India, Bangladesh, the Russian Federation, Mexico, Cuba, Mongolia and the Syrian Arab Republic.

13th plenary meeting

Sustainable development - Item 20

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

(c) Disaster risk reduction

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

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(g) Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme

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(i) Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

(j) Combating sand and dust storms

(k) The role of the international community in the prevention of the radiation threat in Central Asia

General discussion

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda item 20 as a whole and heard statements by Nauru (on behalf of the Pacific Small Island Developing States) Singapore, Costa Rica, Qatar, Algeria, Afghanistan, Jamaica, Nigeria, Nepal, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, the Republic of Moldova, Indonesia, Armenia, Ukraine, Honduras, China, the United Arab Emirates, Iceland, Morocco, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Ethiopia, Burkina Faso, Kenya, Pakistan, Mozambique, Ghana, Brazil, Peru, Mauritius, Bahrain, Namibia, Kyrgyzstan, Kazakhstan, Sierra Leone and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

A statement was also made by the representative of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations.

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18th plenary meeting

Promotion and protection of human rights - Item 74

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

The Committee resumed its joint consideration of the sub-items.

Introductory statements by special procedure mandate holders, followed by interactive dialogues

The Chair of the Committee against Torture made an introductory statement and responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of the European Union, South Africa, the Russian Federation, the United States, Liechtenstein, Denmark, Iraq, Morocco and France.

The Chair of the Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture made an introductory statement and responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of Spain, the Czech Republic, the European Union and Denmark.

The Special Rapporteur on torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment also made an introductory statement and responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of Brazil, the United Kingdom, Cuba, the Russian Federation, Switzerland, South Africa, the Czech Republic, Ukraine, the European Union, the United States, Denmark, Norway, and the Syrian Arab Republic as well as by the observer of the State of Palestine.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Tuesday, 16 October 2018

Security Council

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8372nd meeting

Maintenance of international peace and security

Root causes of conflict - the role of natural resources

Letter dated 9 October 2018 from the Permanent Representative of the Plurinational State of Bolivia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2018/901)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by the Secretary-General, His Excellency António Guterres.

Statements were made by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the Plurinational State of Bolivia, and by the representatives of Côte d'Ivoire (speaking on behalf of the A3: Côte d'Ivoire, Equatorial Guinea and Ethiopia), Peru, the United States, the Netherlands, Kuwait, Sweden, the Russian Federation, China, Poland, France, the United Kingdom and Kazakhstan.

General Assembly

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20th plenary meeting

Strengthening of the United Nations: draft resolution (A/73/L.5) - Item 125

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 125.

The representative of Egypt made a statement (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/73/L.5.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Israel.

By 146 votes to 3, with 15 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/73/L.5 (resolution 73/5).

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by Germany, the Netherlands, Australia and the United Kingdom.

The observer of the Observer State of Palestine made a statement.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 125.

First Committee

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8th plenary meeting

The summary of the 8th plenary meeting of the First Committee will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/201).

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Seventy-third session

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8th plenary meeting

Agenda items 59, 60, 61, 62, and 63.

General debate

The Committee heard statements by the representatives of Jordan, Fiji, Timor-Leste, Belize, Comoros, Nepal, Côte d'Ivoire, Zambia, Zimbabwe, the Gambia, Viet Nam, Solomon Islands, Nigeria, Burundi, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Guinea-Bissau, Benin, Togo, Djibouti, Sierra Leone, Equatorial Guinea, Nicaragua, Kuwait, Algeria, and Morocco, and thus concluded its general debate.

Right of reply

Statements in exercise of the right to reply were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, Argentina, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the United Arab Emirates.

Organization of work

The Chair (Liberia)made a statement.

The Committee decided to revise its programme of work (A/C.4/73/L.1) to add an additional meeting on Wednesday, 17 October, in order to take action on the draft proposals submitted under the decolonization and related agenda items (items 59 to 63).

Second Committee
Seventy-third session

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14th plenary meeting

Sustainable development - Item 20

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21, the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21 and the outcomes of the World Summit on Sustainable Development and of the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

(b) Follow-up to and implementation of the SIDS Accelerated Modalities of Action (SAMOA) Pathway and the Mauritius Strategy for the Further Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States

(c) Disaster risk reduction

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of humankind

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa

(f) Convention on Biological Diversity

(g) Report of the United Nations Environment Assembly of the United Nations Environment Programme

(h) Harmony with Nature

(i) Ensuring access to affordable, reliable, sustainable and modern energy for all

(j) Combating sand and dust storms

(k) The role of the international community in the prevention of the radiation threat in Central Asia

General discussion

The Committee continued its general discussion of agenda item 20 as a whole and heard statements by the representatives of Belarus, Nicaragua, Saudi Arabia, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Cameroon, Tonga, Viet Nam, Libya, Myanmar, Maldives, Togo, Turkey, Guatemala, Ecuador, Malaysia and Eritrea.

A statement was also made by the observer for the Holy See.

A statement was made by the observer for the International Renewable Energy Agency.

Statements were also made by the representatives of the International Labour Organization, the International Atomic Energy Agency and the International Organization for Migration.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of agenda item 20 as a whole.

Third Committee
Seventy-third session

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19th plenary meeting

Organizational matters

The Committee continued its consideration of pending organizational matters.

Invitation to special procedures mandate holders of the Human Rights Council and Chairs of treaty bodies or working groups

The Secretary of the Committee made an announcement.

The Committee decided to invite the Independent Expert on the Situation of human rights in Somalia to present his report and interact with the Committee.

The representative of Burundi made a statement and requested a recorded vote on the proposal to invite the Chair of the Commission of Inquiry on Burundi.

A statement in explanation of vote before the vote was made by the representatives of Austria (on behalf of the European Union).

The proposal to invite the Chair of the Commission of Inquiry on Burundi was adopted, by a recorded vote of 73 to 33, with 32 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by the representatives of Nigeria, Namibia and Zambia.

The Secretary made a statement.

The representatives of the Congo and Montenegro made statements in connection with their votes.

Promotion and protection of human rights - Item 74

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

The Committee continued its consideration of the agenda item as a whole.

Introductory statements

The Committee heard an introductory statement by the Chief of Branch of the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights in New York, who responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of Azerbaijan, the Syrian Arab Republic, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

The Committee also heard an introductory statement by the Chair of the Human Rights Committee, who responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of Qatar, the United States, the European Union, Czech Republic, the United Kingdom, the Russian Federation, and the Sudan.

The Committee also heard an introductory statement by the Chair of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights, who responded to questions posed and comments made by the representatives of El Salvador, Uruguay, the Republic of Korea, and the European Union.

General discussion

The Committee began its general discussion of agenda item 74 as a whole and heard statements by the representatives of El Salvador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States), the European Union (on behalf of the candidates countries the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilisation and Association process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as the Republic of Moldova and Georgia), the European Union (on behalf of the candidate countries the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro and Albania), Norway (on behalf of the Nordic-Baltic Countries Composed of Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway And Sweden), Costa Rica (on behalf of the group of Friends of Older Persons composed of Argentina, the Plurinational State of Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Indonesia, Kenya, Malaysia, Mexico, Panama, Peru, Qatar, Slovenia, South Africa, Trinidad And Tobago, Turkey and Uruguay), and Switzerland.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

20th plenary meeting — The summary of the 20th plenary meetings of the Third Committee will appear in the next issue of the Journal (No. 2018/201).

Fifth Committee
Seventy-third session

[archived video]

5th plenary meeting — Improving the financial situation of the United Nations - Item 138

The Committee began its consideration of the agenda item.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management made a statement on the financial situation of the United Nations.

The Chair informed the Committee that the statement would be issued as a report of the Secretary-General on the financial situation of the Organization under agenda item 138: Improving the financial situation of the United Nations.

The Chair further informed the Committee that the general discussion on that item would be held on Tuesday, 23 October.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations would be held on that day, Tuesday, 16 October in the afternoon on agenda item 140: Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations.

Sixth Committee
Seventy-third session

[archived video]

15th plenary meeting

Organization of work

The Committee adopted an amendment to its programme of work.

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its fifty-first session – Item 80

The Chair of the fifty-first session of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law made a statement.

The Committee started its consideration of agenda item 80.

Statements were made by the representatives of El Salvador (on behalf of the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States (CELAC)), the European Union (also on behalf of its member States) (the candidate countries Montenegro, Serbia and Albania, the country of the Stabilisation and Association Process and potential candidate Bosnia and Herzegovina, as well as Ukraine, Moldova and Georgia, aligned themselves with the statement), Austria, Peru, Japan, the Philippines, Singapore, India, Colombia, Belarus, Thailand, Mexico, Israel, El Salvador, the Russian Federation, Libya, the Sudan, Sierra Leone, Cameroon, Viet Nam, Honduras, Malaysia, the United States of America, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Indonesia, the Republic of Korea, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Algeria.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 80.

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Wednesday, 17 October 2018

Group of 77 (on Second Committee and related matters)

10:00 - 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D
13:15 - 14:30	Closed meeting	Conference Room D
15:00 - 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room D

Group of 77 (on Fifth Committee matters)

15:00 - 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Africa Dialogue Series 2018 High-Level Inaugural Event on the "Role of the AU-UN partnership in a globalized world" (A/RES/72/310, A/RES/72/311 and A/RES/66/293) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), DPI, ECA, the African Union, NEPAD and APRM)

10:00 - 11:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Links: More Info

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Africa Dialogue Series 2018 - AU-UN frameworks for enhanced partnership on peace and security and the implementation of Africa's Agenda 2063 and the 2030 Agenda: from policy to implementation" (A/RES/72/310, A/RES/72/311 and A/RES/66/293) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), DPI, UNECA, the African Union, NEPAD Agency and APRM)

11:00 - 13:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

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Arab Group (at the ambassadorial level)

11:00 - 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 12

Africa Dialogue Series 2018 "A conversation on OSAA's new strategic direction" (A/RES/72/310, A/RES/72/311 and A/RES/66/293) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), DPI, ECA, the African Union, NEPAD and APRM)

15:00 - 16:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

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OIC Group (Third Committee Experts

15:00 - 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 11

Africa Dialogue Series 2018 - Discussion on the African Union reforms (A/RES/72/310, A/RES/72/311 and A/RES/66/293) (co-organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA), DPI, UNECA, the African Union, NEPAD Agency and APRM)

16:00 - 18:00 [webcast] Economic and Social Council Chamber

Link: http://www.un.org/en/africa/osaa/events/2018/ds2018.shtml

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Press conferences

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18 October 2018

10:00 - 12:30 Economic and Social Council Chamber

Links: More Info

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Africa Dialogue Series 2018 - Revitalization of the United Nations Interdepartmental Task Force on African Affairs (A/RES/72/310, A/RES/72/311 and A/RES/66/293) (organized by the Office of the Special Adviser on Africa (OSAA)

18 October 2018

15:00 - 16:00 Closed Conference Room 6

Link: http://www.un.org/en/africa/osaa/events/2018/ds2018.shtml

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International Criminal Court: New York Working Group

18 October 2018

15:00 - 17:00 Conference Room 12

International Criminal Court: Omnibus Resolution

18 October 2018

17:00 - 18:00 Conference Room 12

Event entitled "The Ninetieth Anniversary of the Prohibition on the Use of Force" (A/RES/72/119) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Brazil)

22 October 2018

13:15 - 14:30 Conference Room 6

Link: Website

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Informal Meeting of the Working Group of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) on Human Rights

23 October 2018

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal Meeting of the Working Group of the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM) on Human Rights

26 October 2018

10:00 - 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

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